

WASHINGTON CITY ECHOES

I am kept unusually busy these days doing our regular church work plus the work of soliciting subscriptions for the purchasing of a church property.

Our list is running up nicely, and we feel greatly encouraged.

Pledges are now being sent in almost daily from various parts of the brotherhood; the same are placed on file as well as on our subscription books, and instead of replying personally for each pledge, the list will be published weekly in EVANGELIST. This will save much time and expense, and just as soon as a sufficient amount has been pledged to make the purchase in view, notice will be given through the EVANGELIST.

In spite of all the disadvantages under which we labor, we still meet with evidence assuring us that the Lord is with us, and "since God be for us who can be against us?"

We trust by next week to be able to give some very encouraging news.

Our regular services, as a rule, continue with favorable attendance, our Sunday evening services consist of, first a praise meeting of one half hour, then a Bible reading of one half hour, followed by a short talk or lecture on some special Bible topics. Of late we have been giving a series of talks on "The Second Coming of Christ." I wonder how many of us, as ministers, are giving this wonderful subject the attention and prominence it requires according to the word of God.

It is a very unpopular subject, that is true, and it will become more and more so, as the dispensation draws to a close; therefore the greater reason for our preaching it.

But I must close. I have much I would like to write had I the time.

O yes, another box is coming! This time Sister S. M. Snader, of Keller, W. Virginia. Well, let it come, when one door shuts another opens. Brother Cassel, of Philadelphia, just wrote me that there was not a dollar in the treasury to meet the deficiency on our last month's account; that looks a little hard, but our faith, Phil. 4:19 keeps us faithful and courageous.

Praise the Lord that we may walk by faith and not by sight.

The following subscriptions for church property have been received to date:

Rev. Geo. A. Copp, Fisher's Hill, Va.,	\$10.00
Sarah J. Crider, Warrior's Mark, Pa.,	2 00
J. G. Nininger, Nokesville, Va.,	2 00
Mrs. S. M. Snader, Keller, W. Va.,	5.00

Our list in the city is running up quite encouragingly.

If the general brotherhood will but give a reasonable response we will have our own church house in the capital city in a very short time.

In His name,
WM. LYON.

We do not talk too much to God, but even more surely we do not let God talk enough to us. There should be an hour of Bible study for every hour of prayer.

Our Dead

DUBBS.—George Dubbs was born in Stark county, Ohio, July 11, 1833. His father Daniel Dubbs, was a farmer and consequently the subject of this sketch followed the same vocation with more than ordinary success. He was married to Lucinda Freed, April 20, 1856, who still lives and mourns the loss of a kind and loving husband. The two children born unto them are both living, namely, Emanuel Dubbs and Elvira Thompson. George Dubbs came to this state in 1869, and in 1870 bought his farm on which he resided during the remainder of his life, near Milford, respected and now mourned by a large circle of friends. Of his good qualities and usefulness in this world I need not write. It is written in every heart that ever knew him, and the verdict is easily, that a good man has passed away. Brother Dubbs was a faithful adherent of the Brethren (Progressive) church, and was one of the charter members. His seat among that family of worshippers will be stared at and lamented for an indefinite time. Elder Rench preached the funeral sermon at the house of the deceased, necessarily so on account of the feeble condition of the remaining parent. He died Feb. 6, 1898 and was 64 years, 6 months and 26 days old.

DANIEL MILLER.

Matrimonial

TANNER—SECHRIST.—At the home of the bride, near Pleasant Home, Ohio, on the 22nd of February, Mr. Loren Tanner and sister Clara Sechrist, were joined in marriage by the writer in the presence of quite a number of invited guests. Some valuable presents were received by the happy pair.

WM. KIEFER.

ROGGERS—WHITE.—Near Redbridge, Ind., at the residence of the bride's parents, Sunday, February 13, 1898, at 1:30 P. M., brother Justice Roggers to sister Mary Edith White, members of the College Corner church. Only the immediate friends of the contracting parties were present. May a bright future be theirs to enjoy, and they enter upon this journey with the well wishes of a host of friends.

WM. W. SUMMERS.

North Manchester, Ind.

SHOWALTER—HUDDLESTON.—At the home of the bride, Mr. Cornelius Showalter of West Union, Iowa, and Mrs. Elizabeth Huddleston of Perrysville, Ind., were joined in the bonds of holy matrimony by the undersigned on Feb. 22, 1898 at 6:30 P. M. Our best wishes go with them on their journey.

LOUIS S. BAUMAN.

Roan, Ind.

Malice unmastered becomes a master.

Church News

The Bethel Church

The protracted effort at the Bethel church, in Adams Co., Ind., is now a thing of the past. We closed on the evening of Feb. 18, after a two weeks effort on account of rain and mud. The roads became almost impassible. The Adams Co. folks know what mud is, every man can be a land holder there in a wet time.

The immediate result of our effort was seven accessions, and a number more brought near the kingdom by conviction, and the church greatly strengthened. The Bethel congregation is in excellent working order at present, with their evergreen weekly prayer-meeting, evergreen Sabbath-school and King's Children services, they keep up an interest that is attracting much attention and the Lord is blessing them with frequent accessions. The indications are that more will join in the work soon.

During the revival meeting, however, the church lost five members, one by death, Sister Foreman, of whose death notice has been sent to the EVANGELIST by brother Frank; and to four letters were granted. But what is loss to the Bethel church in Ind., in these four members will be gain to the Bethel church in Arkansas.

J. H. SWINHART.

Akron, Ind.

Brother Editor:—I visited Goshen and found the Brethren class inactive but faithful to the Brethren cause. Our *nee* Brother Cober was preaching in that city while I was there. I was in Marion over Sunday the 20. I have not found such faith, no not in the brotherhood. Men and women wept being permitted to mingle their voices together in praises and to hear the Gospel of their faith once more. The poor man lay at the rich man's gate but his perpetual joy is in the paradise of God. Our place of worship was not grand, but our peace was like a river flowing on until we were lost in the great ocean of God's love. Like Peter it was good to be there, but like Christ we must leave the mount and go to the valley, suffering humanity, lost and ruined souls are in the valley of death.

We will reorganize the class and preach for them once a month. Brethren do not forget to pray for the success of our efforts.

B. H. FLORA, State Evangelist.

Conemaugh, Pa.

I have not reported from here for some time. The church is in good working order and we pray that it may ever be found in the same condition. It has been some time since our revival closed, but since that time two have come out on the Lord's side; one young lady, and a young brother, who felt that he had wandered away from the fold. He thinking it was not wise to be out in sin any longer, came back very sorry for what he had done.

Our quarterly business meeting was held